UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING

MOTION TO BE EXCUSED FROM COURT

- 1. Motion shall be in pleading format. Heading at the top and signature line at the bottom. A sample form is on the back of this sheet (LBR Form Y).
- 2. Motion shall clearly state the time period sought.
- 3. Motion shall state the reason for the request to be excused.
- 4. Motion must contain the following language: "I have no matters scheduled for hearing in Bankruptcy Court during said time period." If you do have a matter scheduled for hearing, you must first file a Motion to Continue the hearing. If the continuance is granted, you may then file your Motion to be Excused. Alternatively, you may indicate that you have made arrangements for a substitute attorney to appear in your absence (substitute attorney must be a member of the federal bar).
- 5. Motions may be filed in paper, or alternatively, may be sent electronically via email to: <u>Christine Lanni@rib.uscourts.gov</u>. Please cc: <u>Kristen Batty@rib.uscourts.gov</u> as well. The subject line of the email must state "Motion For Excusal."
- 6. If you would like to receive a copy of the Order granting the Motion to be Excused, you must include a copy of the motion and a self-addressed stamped envelope with the paper motion. Motions for Excusal filed via email will automatically receive a copy of the order.
- 7. An order granting a motion to be excused excuses counsel from court appearances during the period requested only. Said order does not excuse counsel from court filing deadlines or from attendance at Section 341 Meetings of Creditors. Excusal from a Section 341 meeting must be given by the trustee conducting the meeting.

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IN RE: JANE DOE, ESQ.

Date: __

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Now comes Jane Doe, Esq. and moves this Honorable Court for permission to be excused from attendance in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Rhode Island, on the following dates:

	1.	Week of April 7, 2005 through and including April 11, 2005.	
	2.	The Petitioner will be on vacation with her family during the time indicated.	
	I have no matters scheduled for hearing in Bankruptcy Court during said time period.		
		Respectfully submitted,	
Date		Jane Doe, Esq. 123 Bankruptcy Lane	
		Clerk's Office, RI 55555 (401) 555-5555	
		TED except as to any emergency matters ay occur during the period of the excuse.	

ARTHUR N. VOTOLATO, U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

By: